

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1756**

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PATENT

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In re: Freese et al. Confirmation No.: 8346
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For: METHODS FOR MASTERING MICROSTRUCTURES THROUGH A SUBSTRATE
USING NEGATIVE PHOTORESIST

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE
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Sir:

Pursuant to 35 USC § 134, 37 CFR § 41.31, and MPEP § 1205, the Applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final Office Action dated May 3, 2007 and the Advisory Action of June 8, 2007, at least twice rejecting or finally rejecting Claims 1, 3-13 and 15-18.

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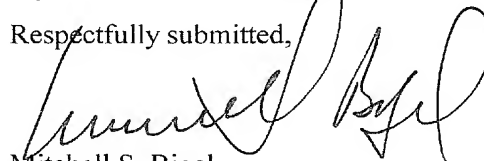
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§41.20(b)(1) and any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0220. Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.

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